

- **ANNOUNCEMENTS and CELEBRATIONS**

- We are excited for Creating Connections to Shining Stars next week in Roanoke. The conference is filled to capacity and early intervention registration is significantly higher than ECSE participants. There are great EI sessions planned. We hope to see you all there.

- **STATE and NATIONAL ACTIVITIES**

- VA DEC Update- VADEC is pleased to welcome new board members on July 1st of this year; Serra De Arment is now President; Diana Smith is now Vice President/President Elect; Avery Donald is now our secretary; Clarissa Bunch is now our CAN Coordinator; and Debbie Stone is now the Bylaws Chair. Several VADEC members will be attending and presenting at the upcoming Creating Connections to Shining Stars conference in Roanoke in mid-July. The subdivision will also have a vendor table with vintage VADEC items and books for sale. We will have a brief membership meeting as well to share plans for the upcoming year.

In the coming months VADEC will be focusing on updating the website and advertising/promotions for membership through social media (i.e. Facebook, website, monthly blog). We also hope to launch a new project called "Adopt a Classroom." The board will meet sometime in September and many members also plan to be in attendance for the national DEC conference in Dallas in early October.

- Upcoming Conferences
 - National DEC 10/1-10/4 in Dallas - <https://www.deconference.org/>
 - Zero to Three 10/2-10/4 in Fort Lauderdale - <http://annualconference.zerotothree.org/>
 - NAEYC 11/20-11/23 in Nashville - <https://www.naeyc.org/events/annual>
 - AUCD 11/18-11/20 in Washington, DC - <https://www.aucd.org/conference/>

- **HIGHLIGHTED WORK PLAN DELIVERABLES**

- Kaleidoscope-will be held in mid-October in Staunton. Registration system is being built now. Announcement will go out as soon as hotel contract is signed.
- Sept/Oct Talks on Tuesday-planning underway with Naomi Grinney from Fairfax will be presenting on attachment and temperament.
- Functional Assessment Workgroup-PD team has compiled all of the input from Part C staff and stakeholders. Will begin assessing what type of product/products we will build on this topic.
- SC Chat-after holding two topics in the four regions, we have decided to try a statewide SC Chat. It will be held July 25 from 12:00-1:00pm.
- Growing the Brain trainings-completed the final Zero to Three, the Growing Brain training in Alexandria with 30 participants.
- Plans being made for the LSM meeting on September 24th in Charlottesville.
- Podcasts - recorded 7/8 episodes on functional assessment in collaboration with the Massachusetts EI training program; episodes are being edited now and will be available on Podbean and hopefully in Apple Podcasts (iTunes) and Google Podcasts soon.
- Learning Bytes – new [Learning Bytes](#) are available on [home visiting](#), [prematurity and autism](#), [autism resources](#), and [supporting caregivers to engage with their children with autism](#) under the EI Service Delivery and Other tabs.

- Learning Paths (NEW RESOURCE) – We just launched the new [Learning Paths](#), which are small collections of curated activities that focus on an early intervention topic. You can find them under EI Topics & Tools on the [VEIPD home page](#). To learn about the topic, learners complete each activity on the path. Activities might include reading an article, taking an online module, watching a video, etc. Once the learner completes the learning path, he/she will take a final quiz to earn a certificate documenting the professional development hours earned. Our first two learning paths are available now:
 - Autism Path #1: What is Autism Spectrum Disorder? (8 PD hours)
 - Autism path #2: Early Signs and Symptoms of Autism Spectrum Disorder
 - Adult Learning Course – completed the 6-week May-June session with 26 practitioners
 - Coaching Implementation Project – completed the 6-month project with 10 practitioners and supervisors
 - “Yes, Service Coordinators Can Use Coaching!” Online Course – final edits are underway following comprehensive reviews from Integrated Training Collaborative members, service coordinators, and Part C staff; course is expected to launch this summer

- **NEXT MEETING**

- October 28 from 10:30-12:00